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Instructions

There are **two** sections in this paper.

Section A	Reading	100 marks
Answer ALL questions, Question 1, Question 2, Question 3 AND Question 4		
Section B	Writing	60 marks
Answer BOTH questions, Question 5 AND Question 6		

Where answers are required in Mandarin Chinese, simplified Chinese characters must be used.

You may only use **blue or black pen** when writing your answers. **Do not use pencil.**

Write your examination number in the box on the front cover.

Write your answers in the spaces provided in this booklet. There is space for extra work at the end of the booklet. **Label any such extra work clearly with the question number and part.**

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Question 1

Match the following words and pictures by filling in the grid below.

A



B



C



D



E



F



G



H



Word	Letter
书店	
花店	
果汁	
牛奶	
眼睛	
耳朵	
体育	
音乐	

Question 2

Read the following schedules of four summer camps. Answer the questions in **English**.

	学什么	学几天	开始的时间	在哪儿
Group A	中文	二十天	七月十九日	一〇五教室
Group B	英文	七天	八月十一日	二〇四教室
Group C	爱尔兰语	十五天	七月五日	三〇六教室
Group D	爱尔兰手语	十六天	六月八日	一〇三教室

Answer multiple-choice questions by putting a tick (✓) in the relevant box.

- (a) On which day does the Group A summer camp begin?

Month:	Date:
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- (b) Which subject do students in Group B study?

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- (c) How many days does the Group C summer camp last?

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- (d) What is the classroom number for Group D?

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(e) What is the theme of the summer camps?

Geography ☐

Language ☐

Tourism ☐

(f) What is the meaning of '爱尔兰手语'?

Irish river dance ☐

Irish folk music ☐

Irish sign language ☐

Question 3

Read the following description of peoples' occupations. Answer the questions in **English**.

	工作	想到的颜色	为什么
A	护士	白色	他们穿白色的衣服。 他们帮助生病的人。
B	邮递员	绿色	他们的车是绿色的。 他们给大家送信，送东西。
C	消防员	红色	他们穿红色的衣服。 他们帮助 <u>灭</u> 火。

Vocabulary: 灭 = to extinguish, to put out

Answer multiple-choice questions by putting a tick (✓) in the relevant box.

(a) Based on the text, answer the questions below about occupation **A**.

(i) Which occupation is this?

Doctor ☐

Nurse ☐

Chef ☐

(ii) Which colour is mentioned relating to this occupation?

(iii) What is the main responsibility of the occupation?

(b) Based on the text, answer the questions below about occupation **B**.

(i) Which occupation is this?

Postman ☐

Farmer ☐

Soldier ☐

(ii) What is the main responsibility of this occupation?

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(c) Based on the text, what is occupation **C**?

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(d) Mention any other occupation you know that make people think of a particular colour. Fill in the information below.

Occupation (answer in English):
Associated colour (answer in Chinese):
Reason for the colour (answer in English):

(e) Write down the radicals of the following characters and the meaning of the radicals.

	Radical (Answer in Chinese)	Meaning of the radical (Answer in English)
护		
们		
家		
消		
红		

(f) Tick (✓) the correct category for the following characters.

	Left-to right structure	Top-bottom structure	Half enclosed structure	Single structure
医				
士				
防				
员				

Question 4

Read Amy's social media post and the comments below. Answer the questions in **English**.

六月二日 星期五 天气:小雨 地点:海边



林雪是我最好的朋友。下个星期一是银行节，也是她的生日。我想送一个礼物。送什么呢？

Peter: 她喜欢运动吗？你可以送她运动鞋？

Amy: 她喜欢运动。但是，我去年送了运动鞋了。谢谢！

Susan: 她喜欢电脑游戏吗？

Amy: 她不喜欢。谢谢！

Ann: 她喜欢看电影吗？现在有一个新电影。

Amy: 她很喜欢看电影！我们下个星期一去看电影！太谢谢了！

Answer multiple-choice questions by putting a tick (✓) in the relevant box.

(a) In which month was Amy's piece posted?

(b) On which weekday was it posted?

(c) What was the weather like on the day of her post?

(d) Where was the photo taken?

(e) Amy mentioned her best friend in the post. What is her name? Answer this question in Chinese.

(f) What is the holiday mentioned in the post?

Bank holiday ☐

Easter Monday ☐

Good Friday ☐

(g) Write whether the following sentences are True or False. Tick (✓) the correct box.

		True	False
(i)	The photo was taken on Amy's birthday this year.		
(ii)	Amy's best friend likes sport.		
(iii)	Amy wants to buy a pair of shoes for her best friend's birthday next year.		
(iv)	Amy's best friend does not like computer games.		
(v)	On her best friend's birthday this year, Amy will take her to watch a movie.		

Question 5

Write down the missing character in each sentence below. Use the options given. Each character should be used only **once**.

(a) 西 四

(i) 小红的家在我家的 边。

(ii) 我家有 口人。

(b) 儿 几

(i) 这是我的 子。

(ii) 你们 个人？

(c) 本 木 大

(i) 我爱学校的树 。

(ii) 我在 学上学。

(iii) 这 书很好看。

(d) 小 少 水

(i) 我弟弟比我 三岁。

(ii) 我要喝 。

(iii) 这个多 钱？

Question 6

Answer **ANY 5** of the following **9** questions. Answer each question with **full sentences in Chinese**.

(a) 你今天高兴吗?

(b) 你有几个好朋友?

(c) 你有什么爱好?

(d) 你明年想做什么?

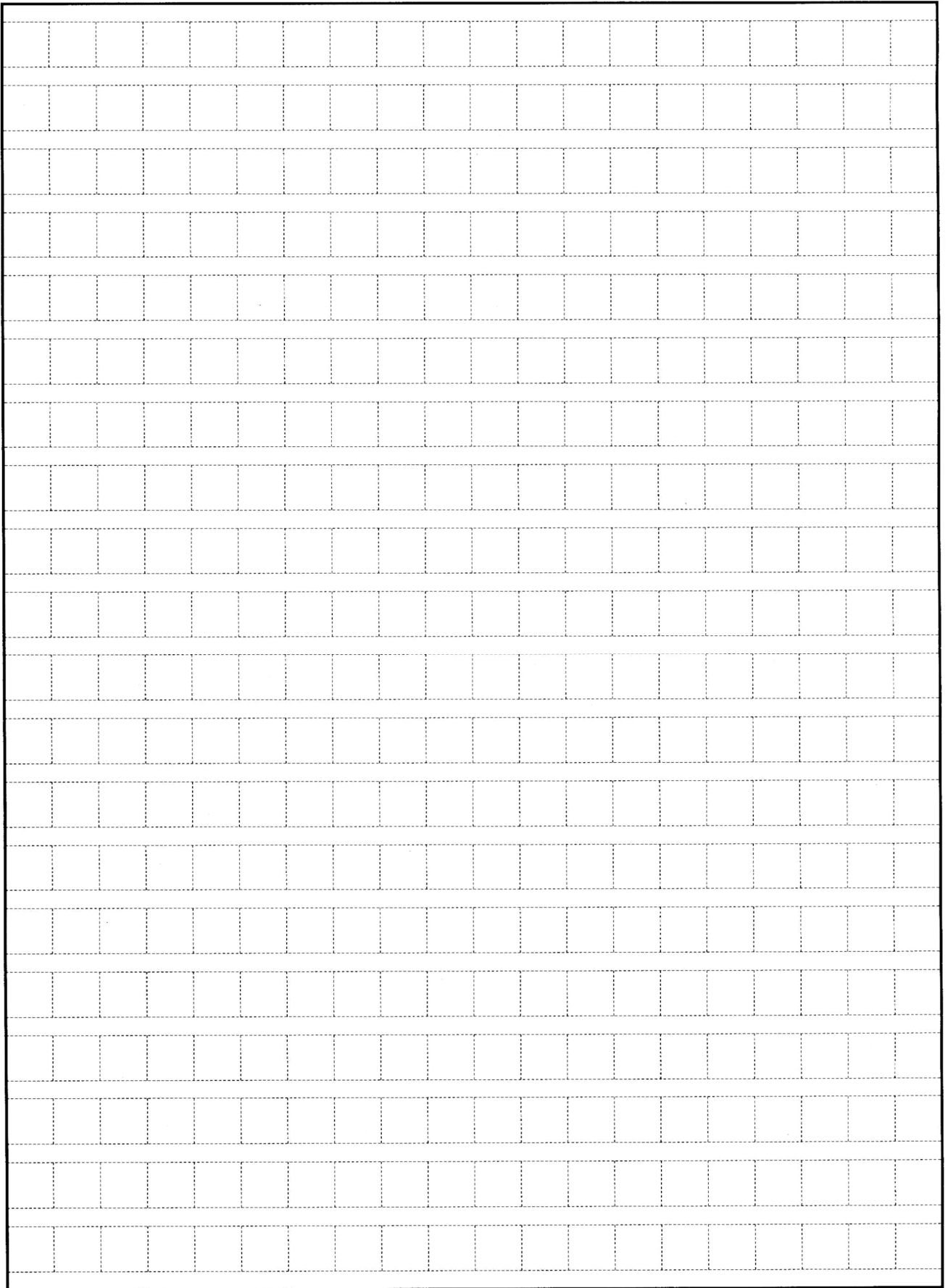
(e) 今年的Easter holiday, 你在哪儿?

(f) 你喜欢喝什么?

(g) 你怎么去学校?

(h) 你七月想去哪儿?

(i) 今天的天气怎么样?



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